

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests consideration and allowance of all claims in view of the amendments above and the remarks that follow.

Please enter the enclosed substitute specification. Both a marked up and a clean copy of the substitute specification are enclosed, as required by 37 CFR 1.125. The title, summary, abstract, and claims 1, 3, 5, 7-8, 10-12, and 14-25 are amended. No new matter is added by these amendments. The amendments are supported, for example, by page 4, lines 22-25 and page 5, line 1 of the specification as originally filed.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (651-645-7135) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0465.

Respectfully submitted,

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